NEWSLETTER NO. 2



## SOUTH LINCOLN ROAD IMPROVEMENTS

**JULY 2012** 

This informational newsletter will provide periodic updates on the status of the South Lincoln Road project and communicate upcoming activities to local residents effected by the project.

## CURRENT PROJECT STATUS

The final plans and Right of Way acquisitions for the project are complete! We have requested approval to advertise the project for bids from our funding partners (NYSDOT and FHWA) and expect to solicit bids in late July, open bids in late August, and award a contract in early October. Although it was our intent to construct the majority of the project in 2012, the length of time needed to acquire the necessary ROW resulted in a slight change in schedule. Provided we get Federal Authorization as planned, our contractor would start work in late October. This will result in less work done in 2012 than originally planned, however there are construction tasks that can be done late in the season before weather curtails work (i.e. tree clearing to enable completion of overhead pole and cable relocations and watermain/storm sewer installation outside roadway pavement area). The temporary one way southbound traffic pattern with northbound traffic detoured will not occur until construction resumes in March/April 2013. Construction completion is expected by early Fall 2013. Once we have a contractor on board we will send out another newsletter with a more precise schedule.

## **Private Utility Relocation Update:**

- RGE has completed underground electric and gas main relocations between Commercial St and Rte 31F. RGE is currently relocating wood poles and overhead cables, clearing tree limbs as needed. RGE expects to complete their overhead cable relocations by summer 2012, with Frontier and Time Warner Cable completing overhead relocations by late Fall 2012.
- Frontier Telephone is currently relocating underground telephone facilities between Commercial St and Rte 31F. Work is expected to be complete by late summer 2012.
- Lawn, sidewalk and pavement restorations being done by private utility contractors are only temporary. Permanent restoration will be done as part of the County's roadway project. We are currently working with the utility company representatives to improve the daily clean up of debris within the ROW. MCDOT will also be doing additional patching around the utility trenches this summer to improve the road condition prior to the start of road construction.

## PROJECT CONTACTS

When the highway contractor begins work, full time inspection staff will be on site daily working with the contractor. In the meantime, please contact Rob Kozarits at the number below for any project related questions.

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